

## The Williamson Plan

### The Successful Experience of a York County Farmer with the New Method of Growing Corn.

Yorkville Enquirer.

One day last week, the reporter was advised that Mr. O. C. Hughes, who owns a 600 acre farm, five miles southeast of Yorkville, had tried the Williamson plan and made a success of it. The reporter made inquiry over the telephone and Mr. Hughes modestly admitted the correctness of the indictment; but he was not willing to undertake to tell the story for publication unless the reporter would come to his farm, go over the ground on which the experiment was made and see the thickets of corn stalks from which he took fifty bushels of corn to the acre.

Because of the tremendous importance of this subject to the people of York county and the state, and because of the fact that it would be impossible to find a more credible witness than Mr. Hughes, a man who possesses the confidence, esteem and respect of all who have even been in close contact with him, the reporter made no hesitation in taking the trip, and he found the situation all that it was represented to be and a little more, for the conditions under which the experiment was made were ideal, and the experiment itself was thorough.

In company with Mr. Hughes, the reporter first went over the "Williamson plan patch." There is nothing there now but the stalks; but no man who has any knowledge whatever of corn would have any difficulty in reading their story. The rows stand about 4½ feet apart, and the distance between the stalks is from 8 to 18 inches the average being close to 12 inches. They are small, few of them being larger than a common broom handle, and the average height is somewhere close to 7½ feet. The surface between the rows is almost level, and it is now quite clean looking; but Mr. Hughes says that the grass was pretty rank until it was killed by the frost.

The soil of this patch is rather dark and the reporter's idea was that it was naturally quite rich; but Mr. Hughes said no. "When I came here three years ago," he explained, "this patch had been planted in corn. The stalks were about as thick as your finger, and not more than five feet high and the yield was only some five or six bushels to the acre. I broke it up well, sowed it in oats and followed with peas. That is about all that has been done to it previous to this year."

On this explanation, Mr. Hughes was asked for a statement as to his manner of preparation for and cultivation of the crop just taken off, and his reply was about as follows:

"First I broke up the patch with a 3-horse disc plow. We went down to about what many people, without measuring would call ten inches. I would say it

was not more than eight inches. Next we cross-broke with a 3-horse disc harrow. Then we bedded with an Avery cultivator that threw the ridges up about eight inches high. It looked very much like cotton land. We planted in the water furrow about eight inches below the top of the bed, and I judge the seed was covered to a depth of four inches. I did not make a note of the time of planting but think it was early in April. We used no fertilizer at the time. When it was about eight inches high, we worked it with a cultivator, and went over it again with the cultivator at about two feet high. Nothing more was done to it until it began to tassel, when we plowed it with a heel sweep and applied 400 pounds of 8-4-4 fertilizer to the acre."

Mr. Hughes said that he did not measure the land except with a grain drill, which made it a little less than six acres. He did not measure the yield further than to weigh one load and count the balance which was about like the first. From the weight of the one load and the number of loads he was satisfied that the crop was not less than 300 bushels.

Mothers who given their children Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup invariably indorse it. Children like it because the taste is so pleasant. Contains Honey and Tar. It is the Original Laxative Cough Syrup and is unrivaled for the relief of croup. Drives the cold out through the bowels. Conforms to the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Sold by Crawford Bros.

### Tillman Denounces Sending Negro Troops to Philippines.

Washington special in Charleston Post: Senator Tillman denounces the sending of the negro troops to the Philippines as an unwise and unjust course to take. He thinks that they should not be sent where the people trust the government of the United States and will be at the mercy of the criminal nature of such men. At the same time he does not think the President's order discharging the men of three companies of the twenty-fifth infantry was just and right.

#### The Right Name.

Mr. August Sherpe, the popular overseer of the poor, at Fort Madison, Ia., says: "Dr. King's New Life Pills are rightly named; they act more agreeably, do more good and make one feel better than any other laxative." Guaranteed to cure biliousness and constipation. 25c at Crawford Bros. and Funderburk Pharmacy.

### The Vaughns, at Kershaw and Jefferson.

Kershaw cor. Columbia State: Mr. R. M. Vaughn, who came to Kershaw with his family from Hartsville a few years ago and has been with the Kershaw Mercantile and Banking company, is now with the Cook-Estridge company. His wife is one of the teachers in the school at this place. His daughter, Miss Bell, is one of the teachers in the Jefferson school; his son, Mr. Wells Vaughn, is practicing law at Jefferson, while another son, Herbert, is in the university at Columbia.

When the cold winds dry and crack the skin a box of salve can save much discomfort. In buying salve look for the name on the box to avoid any imitations, and be sure you get the original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Sold by Crawford Bros.

# WHITE GOODS SALE!

## Begins Saturday, Jan. 12

This sale needs no other introduction to the ladies of our town and county, as we have for several years past, at this season, offered rare bargains in White Goods, Embroideries and other good staple goods. In order to make room for our new spring stock, we will offer for the next few weeks special cut prices in every department on all winter goods. Now, the bargains are here for you, if you'll come along and get them. Our entire stock of pretty White Goods, including mercerized Waistings, Piques, Madras, Dimity, etc., to go at actual cost.

## Laces and Embroideries

Big new lot in the latest designs. Big assortment of prices from the cheapest 2 cents the yard up to the kind to save over, all to go at clearance sale prices. In fact almost everything in this department will be sold at a reduced price during this sale. Some of the things are Ladies' and Children's Cloaks, Shawls, Fascinators, Hoods, Caps, Sweaters, Ready-Made Skirts, Petticoats, Cotton and Woolen Blankets, Comforts, and numbers of other things we will not mention, but will give you a bargain in.

## Extra Special

For the next 13 days, your choice of any ready-trimmed Hat in stock at actual cost; 300 yards pretty Cotton Plaid Waistings in assorted colors, when made up looks like wool, a rare bargain, only 7 cents the yard.

## Clothing Department

All Men's and Boys' Suits, Odd Pants, Overcoats, Hats and Caps to go at a reduction during this sale.

### SHOES!

For everyday wear and Dress Shoes that feel good, fit good, look good and wear good, and for less money. We can fit you in a pair of this sort.

Last but not least, a few dozen fine heavy winter

## Lap Robes

to go at cut prices.

# Lancaster Mercantile Co.

### Distressing Accident in Greenwood.

Greenwood special in Columbia State: A most distressing accident has to be reported from Greenwood, the first of its kind. Little Hal Norris, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Norris, aged about 10 years, was wounded by Will Bodie, son of Mr. J. W. Bodie, with a parlor rifle. Accounts of the shooting differ. One is to the effect that it was intentional, while young Bodie says he did not intend to shoot

his playmate, but shot at a sparrow and did not know that the boy was in range of his rifle. Young Bodie is now in jail pending the effect of the shot.

### Dr. Judson Stricken with Paralysis.

Greenville News of Wednesday: Dr. Charles Hallette Judson, "Furman's Grand Old Man," was stricken with paralysis Monday about noon. His left side is partially paralyzed, as is his throat. His condition all day yesterday was serious, and the

attending physicians said last night that it was the beginning of the final dissolution. He was in a semi-conscious condition all of yesterday and was rational on being aroused.

### Wise Counsel from the South.

"I want to give some valuable advice to those who suffer with lame back and kidney trouble," says J. R. Blackship, of Beck, Tenn. "I have proved to an absolute certainty that Electric Bitters will positively cure this distressing condition. The first bottle gave me great relief and after taking a few more bottles, I was completely cured; so completely that it becomes a pleasure to recommend this great remedy." Sold under guarantee at Crawford Bros. Funderburk Pharmacy drug store.